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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

JEREMY WEICHEL,

Plaintiff,

v.

FRANK BISIGNANO,  
Commissioner of Social Security,

Defendant.

Case No.: 2:25-cv-02041-AC

**JOINT STIPULATION TO  
TEMPORARILY STAY CASE DUE TO  
LAPSE OF APPROPRIATIONS**

Plaintiff and the Commissioner of Social Security jointly move for a stipulated stay of proceedings and an extension of existing deadlines commensurate with the duration of the lapse in appropriations (government shutdown).

1. At midnight on September 30, 2025, the Federal Government's Continuing Resolution maintaining the appropriations for the fiscal year that began on October 1, 2024 expired without an appropriation of funds to the Department of Justice ("Department") or the Social Security Administration ("SSA"). As a result, the Department's funding has expired and appropriations to the Department have lapsed. The same is true for the SSA.

2. While, effective October 20, 2025, some attorneys for SSA may resume performing work on Social Security cases arising under 42 U.S.C. § 405(g) during the current lapse in appropriations as excepted work, SSA has a significant backlog of district court work, and there is still uncertainty about defendant's ability to meet its most imminent deadlines.

3. The Commissioner of Social Security and Plaintiff therefore request a stay of

proceedings until Congress has restored appropriations to the Department and the SSA. The parties also request an extension of deadlines commensurate with the duration of the lapse in appropriations.

3. Plaintiff and the Commissioner of Social Security will file a notice after Congress has appropriated funds for the SSA or enacted another continuing resolution.

4. Once appropriations are restored and the stay lifted, the Commissioner of Social Security will confer with opposing counsel to determine what deadlines, if any, need to be extended as a result of the lapse in appropriations, and the parties will submit a stipulation, subject to the Court's review and approval, requesting new deadlines pursuant to the Court's scheduling order.

5. This stipulation is without prejudice to either party seeking a further order from the Court to lift any stay issued, as circumstances change.

Therefore, although the parties regret any disruption caused to the Court, the Commissioner of Social Security and Plaintiff hereby moves for a stipulated stay in this case until Congress has appropriated funds and Department of Justice attorneys are permitted to resume their usual civil litigation functions.

Dated: October 17, 2025

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Jared Walker

Jared Walker,  
Attorney for Plaintiff

SO STIPULATED:

ERIC GRANT  
United States Attorney

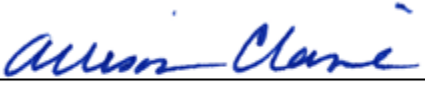
Dated: October 17, 2025

By: /s/ \*Nicole Jabaily  
(\*authorized by email on 10/17/2025)  
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ORDER

APPROVED AND SO ORDERED:

Dated: October 20, 2025

  
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ALLISON CLAIRE  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE